

TOWN OF TRURO
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING OF TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2006

The Truro Board of Selectmen met for their weekly session on Tuesday, August 8, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Truro Town Hall, 24 Town Hall Road, Truro. In attendance were: Chairman Alfred Gaechter, Vice-Chairman Gary Palmer, Clerk Christopher R. Lucy, Curtis Hartman, Jan Worthington, Town Administrator Pamela Nolan, Administrative Secretary Julie DuPree, Martha Nagy, Carol Nickerson, Marilyn and Harry Freire, and Chief Thomas. Assistant Town Administrator Charleen Greenhalgh was absent.

Mr. Gaechter convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes: Mr. Palmer moved to approve the minutes of the regular and Executive Sessions of July 25, 2006, as presented, and to hold the Executive Session minutes in abeyance, to approve the minutes of the 26th and August 1st meetings as presented. Mr. Gaechter said they must vote these separately since they were not all present at all the meetings. Mr. Hartman seconded the motion for the 25th. Vote: 5-0, unanimous. Ms. Worthington seconded the motion for the 26th. Vote: 3-0-2, with Mr. Hartman and Mr. Gaechter abstaining due to their absence. Mr. Hartman seconded the motion for August 1. Vote: 4-0-1, with Mr. Lucy abstaining due to his absence.

Public Comment: Ms. Nickerson asked if pets would be allowed in emergency shelters. Ms. Nolan thought it was an issue for the BOH. Mr. Gaechter pointed out that the shelter is in Provincetown and ours would not kick in until theirs was full. Chief Thomas said the policy was no pets; owner should leave them home with food and water. It would be too chaotic. Ms. Nickerson asked if there couldn't be a designated area for pets in carriers. Mr. Gaechter said they would check and see what the policy is and what other towns do.

Interview: Tercentennial Celebration Committee: Ms. Worthington moved to appoint Caroline Herron to the Tercentennial Celebration Committee. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Town Building Committee: Ms. Nagy explained that Mr. Dickey could not come this evening, but he has been a valuable member of their Committee and they would like to have him appointed for the unexpired term of Betty Groom. **Mr. Gaechter moved to appoint Tim Dickey to the TBC to fill an unexpired term. Mr. Palmer seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Conflict of Interest letter: Chief Thomas currently serves as an uncompensated volunteer member of the MA Police Accreditation Commission (MPAC). He has asked the Board to provide him with a letter determining that his involvement with authorizing payment of the Police Department's annual participation fee to MPAC is not a conflict of interest. **Mr. Gaechter moved to approve the conflict of interest determination and sign it this evening. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Police Officer appointment and reappointment: Mr. Gaechter moved to appoint Scott

Holway as a full-time police officer in Truro. Ms. Worthington seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous. Mr. Gaechter moved to reappoint James Roach as a full-time police officer in Truro. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

One Day Liquor License: Mr. Hartman moved to approve the request from the Truro Historical Society, Highland House Museum for a one-day wine and malt license on August 16, 2006 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mr. Palmer seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.

Ready Grant: Ms. Nolan explained that this grant would cost the town nothing and would assist 46 businesses on the Lower Cape, one of which is in Truro. Eastham is the lead town on this. She recommended approval. **Mr. Palmer moved to participate in the Regional Ready Resource Grant. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.** In order to be eligible Truro must update its Community Development Strategy. Ms. Greenhalgh has updated the one prepared by Mr. Sanguinet for the year 2005. The Board reviewed her draft, making corrections and additions. They agreed to delete all mention of site plan review from # 4. They also agreed to ask Ms. Greenhalgh to take on the review of the routing slop as a project. Mr. Palmer suggested that #5 (revitalization of Truro Center and North Truro Center) be deleted until plans are complete and something more comprehensive is in place. **Mr. Palmer moved to remove goal #5 from the Community Development Strategy for year 2006. Mr. Lucy seconded it. Vote: 4-1, with Mr. Hartman opposed.**

Curb Cut, 23 Bay View Road: Mr. Randa explained that he purchased the property as 23 Bay View Road with expectation of access off Bay View. Access from Merryfield Path would not allow for proper access and parking for the structure he now plans to build. **Mr. Gaechter moved to authorize the curb cut. Mr. Hartman seconded it. Vote: 5-0, unanimous.**

Draft Naming Policy: The Board went over this draft from Ms. Nolan. They had some additions and corrections. Ms. Nolan will make the revisions and prepare the policy for BOS approval and signature.

Goals/Objectives: Ms. Nolan told the BOS that she had sent the annual letter to Department Heads and Boards and Committees asking for input on the BOS goals by September 15th. She suggested waiting until those responses arrive. Mr. Gaechter wanted to review them anyway. The Board discussed which of the goals/objectives have been reached, which should be continued, and which are on-going.

Town Administrator's Report: (action items)

- The Building Inspector has resigned as ADA Coordinator. Ms. Nolan suggested that Ms. Greenhalgh could fill this position. Mr. Gaechter moved to appoint Charleen Greenhalgh as ADA Coordinator.

Selectmen/Liaison Reports: (action items)

Hartman: -Complimented Ms. Greenhalgh on her providing the Planning Board with agenda comments; this has been of significant help to them. The Planning Board is working on

the complete revision of the Subdivision Regulations. They will then work on the Affordable Apartment issue, and then the Condo Bylaw issue. This sparked a lengthy discussion. Ms. Worthington was very concerned that the condo issue should be addressed first. As a result of this discussion, Mr. Gaechter directed Ms. Nolan to draft a letter to the regulatory boards inviting them to a meeting in mid-September to discuss their concern with coordinating all regulatory boards in order to move forward together to make the changes they all feel are necessary.

Lucy: -Asked the Licensing Agent to see that the Pamet Harbor Yacht Club gets its requests for one-day liquor licenses in to her further in advance. He asked that they provide her with a list of known events at the beginning of the season. Ms. DuPree explained that Mr. Poulos has always been most cooperative. Each spring he does provide a list of dates, but as the facility is further booked in the summer months, he comes in with more requests. He has assured her he will get requests to her with more notice now that he is aware the BOS may not be keeping to their regular schedule in the summer months.

- Noted that there was a bad traffic situation on Route Six due to the bike-a-thon this past weekend. Ms. Nolan said Chief Thomas told her this was compliments of the State Police. He has tried to get the organization to change their route for years with no success. Mr. Gaechter said they need to communicate to this group. They must submit a route plan to the BOS. He felt they should handle this politely, but make their point. Ms. Nolan suggested a memo from the Chief for the BOS to endorse. Mr. Gaechter said that the BOS should write their own.

Worthington: -Reported that the Beach Commission showed little to no interest in her proposal for parking for year-round residents at beach parking lots. They saw no need and felt that it would be logistically difficult. She was disappointed and surprised at the lack of interest. She doesn't want to pursue it without more support.

Next week's agenda: Parker Small' presentation on inoculation, setting a date for STM, request for curb cut. Noting so little business, the Board decided not to meet next week.

At 7:35 p.m. Mr. Gaechter moved to convene in Executive Session under the provisions of MGL Chapter 39, Section 23B to discuss negotiations and to not reconvene in Open Session. Roll Call Vote: Hartman, aye; Palmer, aye; Gaechter, aye; Lucy, aye; Worthington, aye. 5-0, unanimous.

Alfred Gaechter, Chairman

Gary Palmer, Vice-Chairman

Christopher R. Lucy, Clerk

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